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We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "**SOLVENTLESS PLASTIC BONDING OF MEDICAL DEVICES AND CONTAINER COMPONENTS THROUGH INFRARED HEATING**", the Specification of which was filed on February 20, 2004 as United States Application Number 10/783,379. We hereby authorize and request the attorneys of record in said application to insert in this Declaration the serial number of said application when officially known.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified Specification, including the Claims, as amended by any Amendment referred to above.

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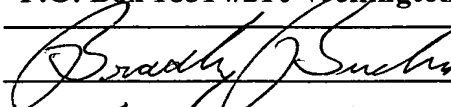
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